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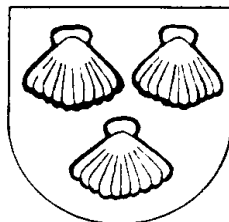
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“First of All...”

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Prelude "Jesus, still lead on" (SEELENBRÄUTIGAM) arr. by John Blackburn

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Welcome

Rev. Patricia Abell

Introit "Thanksgiving! Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" (arr. Loiacono)

Handbell Choir

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Call to Worship

Barbara Cook

ONE: This is the day the Lord has made!

ALL: Let the faithful shout for joy.

ONE: Adorned with the glory of the rising sun,

ALL: Christ shines with holy light.

ONE: Let all God's people proclaim

ALL: Lead on, Good Shepherd!

Opening Prayer

Barbara Cook

Sovereign God, you clothe your people in the garments of salvation, and you bless them with grace and peace. Open our eyes to the glory of your son, who comes to rule with justice and reign with righteousness. Open our ears to the sound of his voice, and open our hearts to love as he loves, that we might shine like dew on the grass. And dwell in Christ's peace. Amen.

***Opening Hymn**

"Be Still, My Soul"

UMH 534

1. Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side.

Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;

leave to your God to order and provide;

in every change God faithful will remain.

Be still, my soul: your best, your heavenly friend

through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

2. Be still, my soul: your God will undertake

to guide the future, as in ages past.

Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;

All now mysterious shall be bright at last.

Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know

The Christ who ruled them while he dwelt below.

3. Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on
when we shall be forever with the Lord,
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

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Passing the Peace

Barbara Cook

*Please stand as able

Children's Time

Edie Candee

Scripture

Psalm 126 (CEB)

Barbara Cook

Matthew 6:25-33 (CEB)

Anthem

"Give Thanks" (Henry Smith)

Handbell Choir

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Message

"First of All..."

Rev. Patricia Abell

Reception of New Members

**Tainya Cathia Clarke
Steven Morris MacFarlane**

UMH 33

Holy Baptism

Sébastien St Auben McFarlane

Born June 24, 2024

Sponsors: Michael Martinez, Marsha Wright and Debra Blackwell

Baptism Hymn

"God Claims You"

TFWS 2249

Refrain

"Sébastien, Sébastien", God claims you,
God helps you, protects you,
And loves you, too.

1. We this day do all agree
a child of God you'll always be
Refrain

2. We your family love you so,
We vow to help your faith to grow.
Refrain

3. We are here to say this day
That we will help you on your way.
Refrain

4. And if you should tire or cry
Then we will sing this lullaby.
Refrain

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Prayer for God's People, Church, & World

Barbara Cook

Lord's Prayer

Barbara Cook

Offertory

"Thanksgiving Blessing" Bob Wayne

Handbell Choir

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***Doxology**

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"
Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God All creatures here below
Alleluia alleluia
Praise God the source of all our gifts

UMH 94

Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts
Praise the Spirit Holy Spirit
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

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Offering Prayer

***Closing Hymn**

“His Eye Is on the Sparrow”

TFWS 2146

1. Why should I feel discouraged
Why should the shadows come
Why should my heart be lonely
And long for heaven and home
When Jesus is my portion my constant friend is He
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me

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I sing because I'm happy
I sing because I'm free
For His eye is on the sparrow
And I know He watches me

2. Let not your heart be troubled
His tender word I hear
And resting on His goodness
I lose my doubts and fears
Though by the path He leadeth but one step I may see
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me

3. Whenever I am tempted
Whenever clouds arise
When song gives place to sighing
When hope within me dies
I draw the closer to Him from care He sets me free
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me

Refrain

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Benediction

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Postlude

"All Glory Be to God on High" J. S. Bach

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Question for Reflection

How do you profess your faith in God's coming reign of justice and peace, even in the face of our troubled world?

Household Prayer: Morning

Loving God,
thank you for waking me up this morning
and giving me another day to love and serve you well.
Thank you for the ways you will lead me today;
help me to trust in you. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Gracious God,
you were good to me today, even when I lost sight of you.
Forgive my fickle and heartless ways, and conform my will to yours.
Grant me a safe rest and strengthen me in body, mind, and heart,
that I may serve you faithfully and love you well
when I awake to greet your new day. Amen.

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